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(c) Average number of patients not provided with beds per day is 23.

(d) No.

(e) Yes. The Surgeon-General has been asked to scrutinize the approximate plans and estimates which have been prepared for the construction of additional wards to provide more accommodation for clean labour and surgical cases.

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—" May I know in what stage the proposals are and whether they have now been forwarded to Government? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" Notice."

Mr. BASHEER AHMED SAYEED:—" May I know if the Hon. Minister will be pleased to expedite the proposals? "

The Hon. Diwan Bahadur S. KUMARASWAMI REDDIYAR:—" As far as it is possible for me to do so, yes."

[*Note.*—**An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.**]

II.—MOTION UNDER STANDING ORDER No. 4 *RE* POSTPONEMENT OF ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SOUTH KANARA DISTRICT BOARD.

Mr. U. C. SUBRAHMANYA BHATT:—" Mr. President, under the proviso to Standing Order No. 4, I request I may be allowed half an hour after 5 p.m. to-day to enable me to raise a debate on a matter of urgent importance regarding the postponement of election of the President of the South Kanara District Board which was the subject-matter of question No. 656 answered to-day."

Mr. G. RAMESWARA RAO:—" I second it." 11-30 a.m.

* The Hon. the PRESIDENT:—" I think there has been a sufficiently large number of supplementary questions upon this particular subject and it has been practically proved that the Hon. Minister has no further information to give upon this subject. This motion is not going to be a censure motion but it is going to be a motion for securing more information and for having a discussion. I do not think the subject is so urgent as to take half an hour of the time of the House for discussing it. I think Dr. Subbarayan has tabled some short notice questions which perhaps will be answered later on.

III.—SELECT COMMITTEE ON AMENDMENTS TO STANDING ORDERS—ELECTION OF MEMBERS.

* The Hon. the PRESIDENT:—" I have to announce that the following candidates have been duly nominated for election to the Select Committee to amend Standing Orders Nos. 28, 30 and 55:—

(1) The Hon. the Raja of Bobbili.
(2) Dr. P. Subbarayan.
(3) Mr. C. Ramalinga Reddi.
(4) ,, W. K. M. Langley.
(5) ,, K. P. Raman Menon.
(6) Diwan Bahadur R. Srinivasan.